

SPECIAL EDUCATION AGES 3-21

QUALIFICATIONS FOR TEACHING ADAPTED PHYSICAL EDUCATION TO PUPILS WHO HAVE DISABILITIES

1. Before teaching adapted physical education to pupils, ages 3 to 21, inclusive, who have disabilities in a setting other than the regular classroom, a person must hold:
 - a. An endorsement issued pursuant to this section; or
 - b. A teacher's elementary, secondary or special license with an endorsement in special education or a bachelor's or master's degree with a major or minor in special education, must have completed 6 semester hours from the course work prescribed in subparagraph (2) of paragraph (d) of subsection 2 and must complete a program of preparation leading to licensing in this field within 3 years after beginning to teach such pupils.
2. To receive the endorsement, the person must:
 - a. Have completed a program of preparation for teaching adapted physical education which has been approved by the Board;
 - b. Hold a license or certificate, issued by another state, with an endorsement to teach adapted physical education to pupils who have disabilities;
 - c. Hold a bachelor's or master's degree in adapted physical education and have completed a practicum, student teaching, equivalent field experience or 1 year of verifiable teaching experience in adapted physical education; or
 - d. Have completed a bachelor's or master's degree in physical education or special education and:
 - i. Have completed a practicum, student teaching, equivalent field experience or 1 year of verifiable teaching experience in adapted physical education; and
 - ii. Have completed 12 semester hours of course work, including course work in the following areas:
 1. Introduction to adapted physical education;
 2. Assessment of pupils for adapted physical education;
 3. Methods and strategies in adapted physical education;
 4. Introduction to special education or the education of pupils who have disabilities; and
 5. Parental involvement in programs for pupils who have disabilities.

The requirement for course work in two of these areas may be satisfied by completing one course, of at least 3 semester hours, that encompasses both subject matters.